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Docket Management Facility (USCG 2002-13482)-2
U.S. Department of Transportation
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400 Seventh Street SW
Washington, DC 20590-0001

RE: **Replacement of USCG Reponse Boats - Medium
PEA Scoping Comments**

Dear Captain Ing:

The Office of Program Coordination of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has completed its review of your recent letter regarding the preparation of a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the replacement of United States Coast Guard (USCG) Response Boats - Medium. At this time, we have no comments or concerns regarding the response boat replacement project.

The Office of Program Coordination coordinates the departmental reviews of documents prepared pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Please **send six** copies of the completed PEA and any future New Jersey site-specific NEPA documents directly to our Office to insure timely, comprehensive reviews.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to be part of the scoping process.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Schmidt
Director
Office of Program Coordination